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To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai, and Messrs KERRY & WALSH, Shanghai.

Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

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French COFFEE MACHINES. MAPLE SYRUP.

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Hongkong, May 9, 1878.

GREAT REDUCTION in the PRICE of Plain Coloured GLACE SILKS. For a short time only. We shall offer VARIOUS COLOURS at one uniform Price, 60 Cents per Yard, some slightly soiled but all admirably suited for Summer Wear, Evening Dresses or Underslips. Our usual Price for these Goods is \$1.35 per Yard.

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DRESS-MAKING and MILLINERY.

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Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from H. M. Naval Store-keeper, to sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,

the 17th May, at 11 a.m., at H. M. NAVAL YARD,—

SUNDRY CONDENSED NAVAL and VICTUALLING STORES, comprising—

Old Iron, Hoses, Boots, &c., &c.

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Chocolate, Bisquit Dust, Candles, Soap, Tobacco, &c.

TERMS of SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7.

The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Government Auctioneer.

Hongkong, May 9, 1878. [my17]

BILLIARD TABLES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have been instructed to sell by Public Auction, in their Sales Rooms, Prays, on

FRIDAY,

the 17th May, 1878, at 2 o'clock p.m.,—

Two Full Sized ENGLISH BILLIARD TABLES, in Good Order, and Complete, with Cues, Balls, Marking Boards, &c.

TERMS of SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, May 7, 1878. [my17]

Intimations.

G. FALCONER & Co., WATCH and CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS, and

JEWELLERS.

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS and BOOKS.

48, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, April 20, 1878. [my20]

LOST.

A BLACK and TAN TERRIER with One Eye. Answers to the name of "GUNNER." Any one finding the same and sending it to the WEST POINT FOUNDRY will be REWARDED if necessary.

Hongkong, May 11, 1878.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Business of the Undersigned, from and after the 31st Instant, will be carried on under the Style of "LINSTEAD & Co."

T. G. LINSTEAD.

Hongkong, May 13, 1878. [my20]

NOTICE.

MR. WILLIAM HENRY HARTON, Jr., is this Day admitted a PARTNER in our Firm.

GILMAN & Co.

Hongkong and Foochow, May 1, 1878. [jel]

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. EDWARD CUNNINGHAM in our Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on the 31st December last.

RUSSELL & Co.

China, March 8, 1878. [ae8]

NOTICE.

THE Interest of the late JOHN GURNEY FRY in our Firm CEASED on the 30th Ultimo.

SILVERLOCK & Co.

Foochow, May 1, 1878. [my22]

NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP existing between Mr. JOHN G. PURDON and Mr. HENRY W. DAVIS in Hongkong and Canton, under the Style of PURDON & Co., is this Day DISSOLVED by mutual consent; either Partner will sign in liquidation, and the Business will be carried on by Mr. H. W. DAVIS under the Style of DAVIS & Co.

PURDON & Co.

China, April 30, 1878.

MR. HENRY W. DAVIS retires from, and his Interest and Responsibility CEASES in our Firm at Foochow from the 30th Ultimo; and Messrs JOHN ANDREW MAITLAND and EDWARD F. EAGUE are admitted PARTNERS therein from this Date.

PURDON & Co.

China, May 1, 1878.

MR. JOHN GRAEME PURDON is this Day admitted a PARTNER in our Firm.

MAITLAND & Co.

Shanghai, May 1, 1878.

MR. CHARLES COLE is authorised to sign our Firm per procuration at Foochow.

PURDON & Co.

Foochow, May 1, 1878. [jel3]

NOTICE.

MR. GUSTAV FISCHER has been duly authorized to sign our Firm by procuration from this Date.

E. MEYER & Co.

Tientsin, May 1, 1878. [my22]

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the Undersigned in the Chinese Mail, 華字日報 (Hwah Tze Yat Po), CEASED from the 1st August, 1877, but Debts prior to that Date will be received and paid by him.

OHUN AYIN.

Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Undersigned has LEASED the Chinese Mail from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged the services of Mr. LEON YUEN CHUN, the services of Mr. LEON YUEN CHUN, as Translator and General Manager of the newspaper, which under its new regime will be found to be, as hitherto, an excellent medium for advertising, especially as the Manager is able to devote his whole attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG OHIM.

Lessee of the Hongkong Chinese Mail.

Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS begs to intimate to his Friends that he is about to visit SHANGHAI, and will be absent from Hongkong from April 1st to June 15th.

Hongkong, March 4, 1878.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI.

The Steamship "ALBA," Capt. F. ASHTON, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 16th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, May 13, 1878. [my16]

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SALE, FREIGHT OR CHARTER. The British Steamship "AMERICA."

GRAHAM, Master, of 563 tons Register and 16,500 plants Capacity.

For further particulars, apply to BIRLEY & Co.

Hongkong, May 14, 1878. [my17]

MONTHLY SERVICE. FOR COOKTOWN, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

taking Cargo and Passengers for all Australian and New Zealand Ports.

TASMANIA, FIJI & NEW CALEDONIA.

The Australasian Steam Navigation Co.'s Steamship "GUNG," J. R. BROWN, Commander, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 18th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GEO. B. STEVENS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 8, 1878. [my16]

FOR SHANGHAI (DIRECT). The Steamship "ABOYLL," Captain SCOTT, will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 19th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, May 13, 1878. [my19]

FOR SINGAPORE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.

(Calling off the usual Coast Ports, and taking through Cargo and Passengers for New Zealand.)

The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamship "NORMANBY" will be despatched for the above Ports on the 21st Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, May 9, 18

To Let.

TO LET.
THE Dwelling House No. 6, Mosque Terrace, possession from 15th April next.
Three Offices, in Club Chambers.
Apply to
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, March 4, 1878.

TO LET.
HOUSE No. 9, Queen's Road Central, with Godowns attached.
Houses No. 2, and 5, Seymour Terrace.
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, January 4, 1878.

TO LET.
A SUBSTANTIALLY-BUILT BUNGALOW on SHAMKIN, in Canton. Possession from 25th May.
Apply to
AHMEDBOY HABIBBOY.
Hongkong, May 6, 1878.

Notices to Consignees.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.
THE S. S. *Glenlyon* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Shanghai and Japan, unless notice be given before Two o'clock To-day.
Goods remaining undelivered after 21st instant will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, May 14, 1878. my21

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
CONSIGNEES of the Undermentioned Cargo are hereby informed that unless the same be taken delivery of within one month from this date it will be sold to pay expenses.
Ex *Argentino*, 30th April, 1877, 10 Cases.
Ex *Elgin*, 26th May, 1877, 8 Cases.
W S (in diamond), 10 Cases.
D S & Co. (in diamond), 1 Box.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
7, Queen's Road, Hongkong, May 4, 1878. jcd

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
S. S. *SINDE*.
NOTICE.
CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. *Euphrate*, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-day, the 18th instant, at 10 a.m., requesting it to be landed here.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.
Goods remaining undelivered after SATURDAY, the 18th instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
H. DU POUET, Agent.
Hongkong, May 13, 1878. my18

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
H. DU POUET, Agent.
Hongkong, May 13, 1878.

Ex *Traveller*, 10 Cases.
Ex *Tigre*, 2 Cases.
VHSO 6887, Order, 2 Cases.
LAP 19, Mr. Schneider, 1 Case.
EM 1/5, Messrs. Meyer & Co., 1 Case.
Hongkong, May 13, 1878.

Volume Sixth of the "CHINA REVIEW."
Now Ready.
No. V.—Vol. VI.
OF THE "CHINA REVIEW"
CONTAINS—
Bibliography of the Chinese Imperial Collections of Literature.
The Tang Kou Chi.
Geographical Notes on the Province of Kiangsi.
Chinese Moral Sayings Compared with those of the Greek Tragedians.
Translation of Chinese School-books.
Short Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence.
Notes and Queries—
Portuguese from Macao in Peking in the first quarter of the 17th Century.
Grimm's Laws in Chinese.
Primer of English for Chinese.
Chinese Olden's Enamel.
The Chinese Silver Coinage of Tibet.
Use of Bricks.
Opium Eating in China.
The Tai Tribes of Yunnan.
Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.
China Mail Office,
Hongkong, May 12, 1878.

TO-day's Advertisements.
FOR SHANGHAI & YOKOHAMA.
The Steamship "GLENLYON," Captain WALLACE, will be despatched at above TO-MORROW, the 16th instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, May 15, 1878. my16

FOR YOKOHAMA (DIRECT).
The Steamship "GLAMIS CASTLE," Captain WALLACE, will be despatched for the above Port, on or about WEDNESDAY Next, the 22nd instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, May 15, 1878.

FOR AMOY.
The Steamship "MACTAN," Captain WALLACE, will have quick despatch for the above Port.
For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, May 15, 1878.

FOR HONOLULU.
The A. I. American Bark "FRANK MARION," Captain WALLACE, will have quick despatch for the above Port, and leave for the above Port, on June 6th.
For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, May 15, 1878.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The A. I. American Ship "GREAT ADMIRAL," Captain WALLACE, will have quick despatch for the above Port, on June 6th.
For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, May 15, 1878.

NOTICE.
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. M. S. GUBBAY in our Firm CEASED on the 31st December, 1877.
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Shanghai, May 11, 1878. my29

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on MONDAY, the 27th May, 1878, at Noon, on the Premises—
All that PIECE or PARCEL OF GROUND, situated near the No. 2 Police Station, East Point, and Registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 483, Containing 5,000 Square Feet, together with the 6 Houses Built thereon.
TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance on completion of the Deed of Transfer, the expenses of which to be paid by the purchaser, and the property to be at the risk of the purchaser from the fall of the hammer.
J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, May 15, 1878. my27

TO BE SOLD.
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, on the 1st June, 1878, BY
PUBLIC AUCTION.
Unless previously disposed of by Private Contract.
LOT No. 20, with all the BUILDINGS erected on it, known as
"THE GRAND HOTEL," which meanwhile will be carried on, On Account of the Concerned.
And also, ON THE SAME DAY, ALL THE FURNITURE & EFFECTS Belonging to the same.
For Particulars, apply to the AUCTIONEER, BOURNE & Co. Yokohama, May 4, 1878. my22

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.
STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSILLAS; ALSO, PONDICHERY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND BOMBAY.
ON SATURDAY, the 26th May, 1878, at Noon, the Company's S. S. *TIGRE*, Commandant LORZIER, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIES, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.
Cargo and Species will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.
Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Species and Parcels until 8 p.m. on the 24th May, 1878. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)
Contents and value of Packages are required.
For further particulars, apply to the Company's Office.
H. DU POUET, Agent.
Hongkong, May 15, 1878. my28

To-day's Advertisements.

SMALL COALS.
SMALL COALS of Excellent Quality for STEAM BOILERS and SMITH WORK are FOR SALE at the KALUNG COLLIERY. Offers are invited.
Address: Official Colliery Yamen, K Lung, Formosa.
AS BUTLER OR VAL T.

THE ADVERTISER wishes to RECOMMEND his HOUSEBOY, 12 Years Good Character.
Apply by Letter to "G." care of China Mail Office.
Hongkong, May 15, 1878. 11

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:
FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE, British barque, Captain A. McIntyre.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
DEVANA, British barque, Capt. William May.—Melchers & Co.
H. G. JOHNSON, American barque, Capt. Isaac N. Colby.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
TA LEE, German barque, Captain M. Hoffmann.—Siemssen & Co.
CEYLON, American barque, Captain Edward Kelly.—Olyphant & Co.
PRINZ FRIEDRICH CARL, German str., Capt. H. Mohr.—Butterfield & Swire.
AMERICA, British steamer, Captain J. Graham.—Birley & Co.

SHIPPING.
ARRIVALS.
May 15, Malacca, British steamer, 1209, E. E. Smith, Yokohama May 8, Malls and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
May 15, Heperia, German steamer, from Whampoa.
May 15, China, German steamer, from Canton.
May 15, Douglas, British steamer, 864, Pitman, Fookchow May 12, Amoy 15, and Swatow 14, General.—DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.
May 15, August Friedrich, German barque, 287, J. Bruhn, Newcastle March 20, Coal.—SIEMSEN & Co.
May 15, Gwalior, British steamer, 1700, Babot, Shanghai May 12, Malls and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
May 15, City of Peking, American steamer, 5079, Z. L. Tanner, San Francisco April 1, and Yokohama May 8, Treasure and General.—P. M. S. S. Co.

DEPARTURES.
May 15, Bianca Perle, for Bangkok.
15, Chinkiang, for Canton.
15, Kwangtung, for Coast Ports.
15, Japan, for Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.
15, Venice, for Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.
15, Ta-lee, for Bangkok.
15, China, for Ningpo and Shanghai.
15, Fintshire, for Fookchow.
15, Chong-ai, Ch. g.-h., for a cruise.

CLEARED.
Augusta Richman, for Yokohama.
Corona, for Manila.
Marie Charlotte, for Callao.
Andreas, for Newchwang.
Gustav, for Obispo.
Erid, for Manila.
Cuba, for Fookchow.
Carnarvon, for Hankow.
Pernambuco, for Bangkok.
Albay, for Swatow.
Norma, for Swatow.
Alcoron, for Keelung.

PASSENGERS.
ARRIVED.
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11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.
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Hongkong, May 4, 1878. my18

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The Mails will be closed at 11.30 a.m. Supplementary mail received on board with late fee of 18 cents till time of departure.
Correspondence for Southern and Western Australia can be sent by this route if desired, but as a general rule it is better to send it via Galle.
Hongkong, May 10, 1878. my21

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The French Contract Packet *Tyre* will be despatched from Hongkong on SATURDAY, the 25th instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Marseilles; to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.
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Hongkong, May 11, 1878. my25

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.
Shipping.
Noon.—Albay leaves for Swatow, &c.
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Meeting.
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Hongkong, June 1, 1876.
The publication of this issue commenced at 7.25 p.m.

THE CHINA MAIL.
HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 1878.
APPROXIMATE of the recent visit of the Hoppe of Canton to this port, we may observe that a decree appears in the *Peking Gazette* of April 6th in reply to a memorial, which had contained a proposal of no less moment than the transfer of the control of the customs establishments at Canton and Fookchow from the independent superintendents (at Canton the Hoppe or Halkwan) to the Governor-General and Governor. This memorial appears to have emanated from the Hanlin College, and to have contained a pointed attack upon the abuses in connection with the customs establishments at the two places in question, but the full contents of the memorial have not yet been published in the *Gazette*. The decree in reply negatives the proposal in the following terms: "The Canton Customs establishment was originally under the management of the provincial Government, but in the year 1751 a superintendent was appointed. At the instance of Tao Tsung-tang some years ago, the question of the restoration of the control to the Governor-General was raised, and Jui-lien, who was Governor-General at Canton at the time, reported, on the matter being referred to him, that there were three obstacles, which rendered transfer inadvisable. A decree was thereupon issued, ordering that the existing system be continued. It is therefore unnecessary to consider the memorialist's application."
The visit which the Hoppe has just paid to Hongkong and the various customs stations round it was announced in the *Gazette* as long ago as the 26th December last, and so far as the visits to the customs stations are concerned, they were avowedly to be undertaken for the purpose of correcting any abuses (affecting the amount of revenue collected) that might be discovered. It is scarcely likely the Hoppe has succeeded in detecting many abuses of this nature in the course of his flying visits to the "stations." His predecessors in office had never, it seems, made such visits. In the memorial announcing these inspections, the reason of their having been undertaken by the present Hoppe are given. "The injunctions laid upon me by your sacred Majesties as I was taking my departure from Peking," says the Hoppe in his memorial, "to let my vigilance be all embracing, are engraved upon my heart, and will be reverently observed in my conduct. Of late, moreover, the receipts of opium duties at the six stations at Hongkong and Macao have shown a continuous decline, to such an extent, indeed, that the revenue does not suffice to meet the appropriations ordered to be supplied from it; and a study of the causes of this falling off leads to the conclusion that smuggling cannot fail to be rife. Everything during my visits shall receive careful attention, and I will on no account venture to indulge in rash innovations, but will, at the same time, refrain from neglecting my duty in any spirit of supine adherence to routine."

It is satisfactory to find from the annual report of the Harbour Master at Singapore, published in the *Straits Times* of the 3rd instant, that the trade of that port, especially that portion of it with the mother country, was larger in 1877 than during any year since the foundation of the Colony. The imports amounted in value to \$48,327,317, and the exports to \$41,408,407; total \$89,735,724, being an increase of \$4,874,871 on the total of the previous year. In 1870 the total trade was about twenty millions of dollars less. The following table shows the value of the imports and exports with the United Kingdom for the last eight years:—

To-day's Advertisements.

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Hongkong, May 15, 1878. 11

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AMERICA, British steamer, Captain J. Graham.—Birley & Co.

SHIPPING.
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May 15, Malacca, British steamer, 1209, E. E. Smith, Yokohama May 8, Malls and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
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May 15, China, German steamer, from Canton.
May 15, Douglas, British steamer, 864, Pitman, Fookchow May 12, Amoy 15, and Swatow 14, General.—DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.
May 15, August Friedrich, German barque, 287, J. Bruhn, Newcastle March 20, Coal.—SIEMSEN & Co.
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DEPARTURES.
May 15, Bianca Perle, for Bangkok.
15, Chinkiang, for Canton.
15, Kwangtung, for Coast Ports.
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15, Chong-ai, Ch. g.-h., for a cruise.

CLEARED.
Augusta Richman, for Yokohama.
Corona, for Manila.
Marie Charlotte, for Callao.
Andreas, for Newchwang.
Gustav, for Obispo.
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For further information as to Passage
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RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, April 26, 1878. my28

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Hongkong, February 23, 1874.

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Hongkong, July 13, 1876.

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Hongkong, April 20, 1878.

STANDARD FIRE OFFICE, LONDON.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents to the above Company at this
Port, are prepared to grant Policies against
Fire to the extent of \$40,000, on Buildings
or on Goods stored therein.

DISCOUNT 20 %

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

INSURANCES.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of
China and Japan, and at Singapore,
Hankow and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance
granted at the rates of Premium current at
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary,
Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against Fire to the extent of
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to \$1000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against Fire to the extent of
\$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored
therein, at current local rates, subject to a
Discount of 20 % on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

Insurance.

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSO-
CIATION.

CAPITAL—Fully Paid-up.....\$1,420,000
PERMANENT RESERVE.....230,000
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....70,000
Total Capital and Reserves.....\$1,720,000
Bonds this date.....\$1,720,000

Directors:
F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.
M. W. BOYD, Esq., J. C. KERR, Esq.,
M. F. BYRNE, Esq., C. LUNAN, Esq.,
Secretaries:

Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., Shanghai.
London Bankers:
Messrs. BARNES BROTHERS & Co.

HONGKONG, LONDON, SAN FRANCISCO, and
the Principal Ports in the East.

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to
all parts of the World, at current
rates.
Subject to a charge of 12 % for interest
on Shareholders' Capital, ALL THE PROFITS
OF THE UNDERSIGNED BUSINESS will be
annually distributed among all Contribu-
tors of Business in proportion to the
premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, October 1, 1877. ool

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on
Marine Risks to all parts of the World.
In accordance with the Company's Articles
of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits
are distributed to the Shareholders, the
remaining Third being contributed to
the Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1878.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to grant In-
surances at current rates.

McLOCHES & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

NORSE BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL \$2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong
for the above Company, are prepared
to grant Policies against FIRE, to the
extent of \$10,000 on any Building, or
on Merchandise in the same, at the
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

SHEONG ON FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL ONE MILLION DOLLARS.

Directors.

KWOK AGHEONG, Merchant.
PAW YIM, Merchant.
HO SAM, of Hop Yik Chan, Merchant.
LOO YEE, of the Yee On Hong, Merchant.
LIM SIK, of Lai Hing Firm, Merchant.
CHENG SING YONG, Merchant.
CHOT CHAN, Merchant.

Manager—HO AMEL.

POLICIES against FIRE granted on
Buildings and on Goods stored
therein at CURRENT RATES, subject to
Discount of 20 % on the Premium.

OFFICE, Nos. 8 and 9, Praya West.

Hongkong, August 23, 1877. au23

THE LONDON ASSURANCE

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER

of
His Majesty King George The First,
A.D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either
here in London or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates. A discount of 20 % allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for terms not exceeding
\$5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY OF MANCHESTER

AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed
Agents for the above Company, at
Hongkong, Canton, Fuzhou, Shanghai
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, October 14, 1874.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Eaches of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

Vessel's Name.	Flag.	Captain.	Flag and Reg.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Albatross	5	F. Ashion	Brit.	str.	366	May 13	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Tamul, &c.
Albatross	5	Miller	Ger.	str.	1179	May 9	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Saloon
Albatross	5	Darnell	Brit.	str.	1088	May 9	Birley & Co.	Keelung
Albatross	2	Graham	Brit.	str.	915	April 22	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
Albatross	2	Barnett	Brit.	str.	1271	May 2	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	For Sale
Albatross	4	Scott	Brit.	str.	1120	May 4	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	
Albatross	3	Leangley	Brit.	str.	1420	May 7	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	
Albatross	2	Williams	Brit.	str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Achong	Laid up
Albatross	5	Williams	Brit.	str.	1303	May 11	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
Albatross	2	Williams	Brit.	str.	95	Oct. 9	Kwok Achong	Laid up
Albatross	5	Spewart	Brit.	str.	1123	May 1	Butterfield & Swire	Laid up
Albatross	4	Langer	Ger.	str.	937	May 9	Wm. Pustan & Co.	at daylight
Albatross	5	Ackermann	Ger.	str.	648	May 16	Siemens & Co.	
Albatross	4	Tanner	Amer.	str.	5079	May 16	P. M. S. S. Co.	Ningpo & Shanghai
Albatross	4	Wood	Brit.	str.	1280	May 8	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Y'ham & S. F. China
Albatross	5	Pittman	Brit.	str.	804	May 15	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Mails, 23rd
Albatross	5	Stopen	Brit.	str.	117	D. & W'poo Dock Co.	Coast Ports
Albatross	5	Holland	Brit.	str.	163	G. McBain	Tug Plying
Albatross	5	Humphreys	Brit.	str.	597	April 18	Gee Chong Hong	K'loon Dock
Albatross	2	Thomas	Brit.	str.	1243	May 8	H. Kier & Co.	To-day
Albatross	5	Greig	Brit.	str.	1588	April 21	Adamson, Bell & Co.	
Albatross	5	Wallace	Brit.	str.	1878	May 14	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Shai & Yokohama
Albatross	5	Wallace	Brit.	str.	977	April 25	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	Australian Ports
Albatross	5	Paulsen	Ger.	str.	1136	May 9	Siemens & Co.	
Albatross	5	De Suidt	Brit.	str.	1896	May 14	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.
Albatross	3	Weber	Dut.	str.	896	May 14	Wm. Pustan & Co.	To-day
Albatross	3	Clark	Brit.	str.	1641	May 14	Gee Chong Hong	Singapore
Albatross	2	Oran	Brit.	str.	670	May 11	Kwok Achong	17th inst.
Albatross	5	Pinehard	Brit.	str.	884	May 7	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Coast Ports
Albatross	3	Finch	Ger.	str.	994	May 9	Siemens & Co.	To-day
Albatross	3	Clark	Brit.	str.	1209	May 16	P. & O. S. N. Co.	
Albatross	5	Smith	Brit.	str.	678	May 17	Landstein & Co.	Yokohama
Albatross	3	Morrey	Brit.	str.	606	May 14	Kwok Achong	Mails
Albatross	2	Walker	Brit.	str.	1238	May 12	Landstein & Co.	Coast Dock
Albatross	4	O. P. Jones	Brit.	str.	643	May 11	Molchers & Co.	To-morrow
Albatross	4	Eyde	Brit.	str.	1100	May 10	Butterfield & Swire	Bangkok
Albatross	5	Mohr	Ger.	str.	731	May 14	Sooy Shing	at daylight
Albatross	3	Hays	Ger.	str.	874	May 5	Sooy Shing	Saigon
Albatross	2	Wang	Ger.	str.	1511	May 7	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Nagasaki
Albatross	2	Ritchie	Brit.	str.	1040	May 2	P. & O. S. N. Co.	17th, daylight
Albatross	4	Reeves	Brit.	str.	1271	May 4	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Yokohama
Albatross	4	Rhodes	Brit.	str.	381	May 12	Kwok Achong	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.
Albatross	2	Goggin	Brit.	str.	393	May 8	Borneo Co., Limited	To-day
Sailing Vessels								
Albatross	2	Cole	Brit.	bge.	429	April 27	Siemens & Co.	Cleared
Albatross	2	Hagen	Ger.	bge.	248	May 4	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Newchwang
Albatross	2	Petersen	Ger.	bge.	325	April 24	Edmund Schellhass & Co.	Cleared
Albatross	2	Paulsen	Ger.	bge.	947	April 24	Butterfield & Swire	Callao
Albatross	2	Ponery	Brit.	bge.	207	April 25	Captain	Yokohama
Albatross	2	Thomson	Ger.	bge.	789	April 26	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	
Albatross	2	Shaw	Amer.	bge.	885	May 12	Wieler & Co.	Nantain
Albatross	2	Flimpe	Ger.	bge.	324	April 23	Russell & Co.	
Albatross	2	Hudleston	Brit.	bge.	568	May 3	Siemens & Co.	
Albatross	2	Tager	Ger.	bge.	681	May 8	Olyphant & Co.	
Albatross	2	Kelly	Amer.	bge.	284	May 1	Gas Company	
Albatross	2	Kennett	Brit.	bge.	1199	Feb. 18	Mayer & Co.	Manila
Albatross	2	Spence	Brit.	str.	668	Mar. 14	Captain	Cleared
Albatross	2	Gorham	Amer.	bge.	310	April 23	Mayer & Co.	For Sale
Albatross	2	Stabel	Brit.	bge.	798	April 8	Mayer & Co.	Wanchai Pier
Albatross	2	Mayer	Brit.	bge.	889	April 27	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	
Albatross	2	Tozer	Brit.	bge.	1181	Feb. 28	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	London
Albatross	2	Barmy	Amer.	sh.	312	Mar. 30	Wieler & Co.	Honolulu
Albatross	2	Permen	Hawa.	bg.	740	April 14	Mayer & Co.	Japan
Albatross	2	Plan	Brit.	bge.	495	April 1	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Manila
Albatross	2	Brathwaite	Brit.	bge.	484	May 13	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Nantain
Albatross	2	McIntyre	Ger.	bge.	282	May 8	Melchers & Co.	Cleared
Albatross	2	Schwager	Brit.	bge.	757	April 18	Rosario & Co.	
Albatross	2	Fanderford	Brit.	bge.	678	April 7	Mayer & Co.	Sand's Slip
Albatross	2	Elidridge	Amer.	bge.	639	Feb. 15	Landstein & Co.	
Albatross	2	Leprêtre	Brit.	bge.	515	May 9	Chinsee	
Albatross	2	Romney	Brit.	bge.	458	April 18	H. Kier & Co.	
Albatross	2	McEachern	Brit.	bge.	1676	Aug. 29	Russell & Co.	
Albatross	2	Thompson	Amer.	bge.	240	April 26	Edmund Schellhass & Co.	Cleared
Albatross	2	Johannsen	Ger.	bg.	1081	April 16	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	
Albatross	2	Coolby	Amer.	bge.	853	May 18	Chinsee	
Albatross	2	Breveton	Amer. Sm. co.		493	May 18	Captain	
Albatross	2	Linkster	Brit.	bge.	532	April 27	Chinsee	
Albatross	2	Shaw	Brit.	bge.	275	May 4	Melchers & Co.	
Albatross	2	Stott	Brit. Sm. co.		440	May 4	Wieler & Co.	
Albatross	2	Whasson	Ger.	bge.	330	May 6	Chinsee	
Albatross	2	Thompson	Brit.	bge.	293	May 7	Chinsee	
Albatross	2	Spuller	Span. sch.		380	Mar. 23	Carlowitz & Co.	Callao & Valparaiso
Albatross	2	Michomas	Feb. bge.		197	Feb. 8	Rosario & Co.	Cleared
Albatross	2	Miles	Brit. bg.		1374	Feb. 28	Russell & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney
Albatross	2	Thompson	Amer.	bge.	986	Feb. 28	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco
Albatross	2	Blow	Ger.	bge.	392	May 3	Siemens & Co.	San Francisco
Albatross	2	Hanser	Brit.	bge.	476	May 10	Chinsee	
Albatross	2	Lange	Ger.	sh.	1115	May 1	P. & O. S. N. Co.	
Albatross	2	Nelson	Amer. sh.		1418	April 24	Butterfield & Swire	
Albatross	2	Solkirk	Brit.	str.	983	April 14	Butterfield & Swire	
Albatross	2	Sass	Siam.	str.	539	May 2	Lock Mee	
Albatross	2	Williams	Amer. bge.		703	May 12	Sooy Shing	
Albatross	2	O'Long	Amer. sh.		1090	Sept. 8	Russell & Co.	Bangkok
Albatross	2	Hoffmann	Ger. bge.		342	May 1	Siemens & Co.	Cleared
Albatross	2	Kaemena	Ger. bg.		256	April 30	Melchers & Co.	
Albatross	2	Kormaza	Span. bge.		600	Mar. 30	Russell & Co.	Manila
Albatross	2	Pendleton	Amer. bge.		645	April 8	Kim Nam	
Albatross	2	Berry	Amer. sh.		1270	Feb. 7	Russell & Co.	San Francisco
Albatross	2	Jachens	Ger. sh.		1115	Mar. 1	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York
Albatross	2	Healy	Amer. Sm. co.		591	May 2	Edmund Schellhass & Co.	
Albatross	2	Dicks	Ger. bge.		302	April 23	Melchers & Co.	
WHEAPOA								
Albatross	2	Quatresous	Foh. bge.		352	May 5	Landstein & Co.	
Albatross	2	Month	Ger. bge.		812	May 6	Wieler & Co.	
Albatross	2	McKirdy	Bel. bge.		3300	May 4	Olyphant & Co.	Honolulu & Callao
Albatross	2	Kadmas	Foh. bge.		287	May 5	Carlowitz & Co.	
Albatross	2	Ashley	Brit. str.		993	May 13	Siemens & Co.	
CANTON								
Albatross	2	Oran	Brit. str.		789	May 15	Siemens & Co.	Shanghai